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## AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

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**PARIS AND EUROPE:**—LEON DE ROSNY, 19, Rue Monsieur, Paris.

**NEW YORK:**—ANDREW WIND, 133, Nassau Street.

**AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND:**—GORDON & GORDON, Melbourne and Sydney.

**SAN FRANCISCO**—and American Ports generally:—BLAIR & BLACK, San Francisco.

**SINGAPORE AND STRAITS:**—SAYLE & Co., Square, Singapore, C. HEINZEL & Co., Manila.

**CHINA:**—Messrs. A. A. DE MELLO & Co., Swatow, CAMPBELL & Co., Amoy, WILSON, NICHOLS & Co., Foochow, HADEN & Co., Shanghai, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., and KELLY & WALSH, Yokohama, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

## Banks.

### HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars.  
RESERVE FUND, 1,800,000 Dollars.

**COURT OF DIRECTORS.**  
Chairman—W. H. FORBES, Esq.  
Deputy Chairman—HON. W. KESWICK.  
E. R. BELLIOS, Esq., WILHELM REINER, Esq., H. L. DABYMPLE, Esq., F. D. SASSOON, Esq., H. HOFFMANN, Esq., W. S. YOUNG, Esq., A. MOLVER, Esq.

**CHIEF MANAGER.**  
Hongkong, THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.  
Shanghai, EWEN CAMERON, Esq.  
LONDON BANKERS—London and County Bank.

### HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.  
ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—  
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "  
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.  
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation,  
No. 1, Queen's Road East,  
Hongkong, February 15, 1879.

### ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

**RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON FIXED DEPOSITS.**  
At 3 months' notice 3 1/2 per Annum.  
" 6 " " 4 " "  
" 12 " " 5 " "

On Current Accounts at Rates which can be ascertained at their Office.

D. A. J. CROMBIE, Acting Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation,  
Hongkong, November 23, 1878.

### CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, 2800 000.  
RESERVE FUND, 2160 000.

**BANKERS.**  
THE BANK OF ENGLAND,  
THE CITY BANK,  
THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in Hongkong grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

**RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.**  
On Current Accounts, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits.  
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "  
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

## Banks.

### COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.

(Incorporated 7th & 18th March, 1848.)

RECOGNISED by the INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF 30th APRIL, 1862.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP, 23,200,000.  
RESERVE FUND, 2800,000.

**HEAD OFFICE**—14, RUE BERGÈRE, PARIS.

**AGENCIES AND BRANCHES at:**  
LONDON, BOULON, SAN FRANCISCO, MARSEILLES, BOMBAY, HONGKONG, LYONS, CALCUTTA, HANKOW, NANTES, SHANGHAI, FOCHOW.

**LONDON BANKERS:**  
THE BANK OF ENGLAND,  
THE UNION BANK OF LONDON.

The Hongkong Agency receives Fixed Deposits on Terms to be ascertained on application, grants Drafts and Credits on all parts of the World, and transacts every description of Banking Exchange Business.

E. G. VOUILLEMONT, Manager, Shanghai.

Hongkong, May 20, 1879.

### COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.

HONGKONG AGENCY.

FROM this Date until further notice, Mr. D. FITZ HENRY will take Charge of this Agency.

E. G. VOUILLEMONT, Manager, Shanghai.

Hongkong, May 20, 1879.

## Entertainment.

### GARRISON THEATRE.

THE INNISKILLINGS CHRISTY MINSTRELS.

**THIS EVENING,**  
the 21st MAY, 1879.

**SONGS.**  
CLOG DANCES,  
FLUTE DUET,  
COMIC SONGS,  
AND THE NEGRO FARCE,  
entitled

**BOX AND COX.**  
To conclude with

**THE NEGRO DANCE SKIDADDLE.**

Doors Open at 8.30 p.m.  
First Commence at 9.00 "

Admission:  
First Seats, One Dollar.  
Second do., 50 Cents.  
Third do., 25 "

**PUNKERS.**  
"GOD SAVE THE QUEEN"

Hongkong, May 21, 1879.

## Auctions.

### FURNITURE SALE.

AUCTION OF ELEGANT ENGLISH-MADE FURNITURE, CARPETS, MIRRORS, PIANO, AQUARIUM, &c., &c.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions from J. J. FRANCIS, Esq., Acting Police Judge, to sell by Public Auction, at his Residence, No. 1, Calne Road, on

**TUESDAY,**  
the 27th May, 1879, at 2 o'clock p.m.,—

The whole of the HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., comprising:—Handsome Drawing-room Suite, consisting of Chairs, Couches, Easy Chairs, and Ottoman in Walnut, covered with Cretone, Side Tables, Whatnots, Mirrors, Engravings, Curtains, Fender and Irons, Gasaliers, &c., &c.

Solid Mahogany Dining-room Chairs, Teak Dining Table, Marble-top Sideboard, Carpet, Glass-ware, Crockery, Electro-plated Ware, &c., &c.

Bed-room Chairs, Lady's and Gentleman's Wardrobes, Iron Bedsteads, Toilet Tables and Mirrors, Marble-top Washstands and Services, Bed-room Sofas, Chests of Drawers.

**Also,**  
A Rosewood Cottage Piano, by B. H. Lunan, Libeck.

A Large Telescope, with Astronomical Eye-piece.

A Large Aquarium.

Flower Pots and Plants, &c., &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued, and the whole will be on view during Monday, the 26th instant.

Hongkong, May 20, 1879.

## Auctions.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on an early DATE, unless disposed of privately, of which due Notice will be given—

Portions of INLAND LOT No. 105, adapted for the erection of FIVE CHINESE HOUSES on COCHRANE STREET, corner of Gage Street, and FIVE HOUSES on Gage Street, corner of Gutzlaff Street.

Plans may be seen, and all particulars obtained at the OFFICES of

**SHARP & DANBY,**  
No. 6, Queen's Road,  
late Messrs E. D. SASSOON & Co.  
Hongkong, May 17, 1879.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

TO BE SOLD by PUBLIC AUCTION, shortly, on a day to be hereafter named, unless previously disposed of by private contract,—

**THE HONGKONG DISTILLERY,**  
Situate at East Point, Hongkong, now in Complete Working Order, and Capable of Distilling upwards of 2,000 Gallons daily. The Property is of a most valuable nature, comprising THREE PIECES of GROUND close to the water, viz.:—Inland Lots Nos. 749, 751 and 752, with the Substantially Built DWELLING HOUSE and BUSINESS PREMISES, erected specially for the purpose only a few years since, together with the MACHINERY, ENGINES, STILL, VATS, STOCK, and TRADE FURNITURE and FITTINGS.

For further Particulars, apply to

**Messrs SHARP, TOLLER, and JOHNSON,**  
Solicitors, Supreme Court House,  
Hongkong.

Hongkong, March 5, 1879.

## Intimations.

### HYDROGRAPHIC NOTICE.

APPROACHES TO HONGKONG—TYTAMI CHANNEL.

POSITION OF DANGER.  
Lat. 21° 57' 36" N. Long. 114° 07' 59" E.  
Left Extreme Tytami Island, N. 30° W.  
Right Extreme do. N. 58° E.  
Least Water on the Rock (reduced to low Water Springs) 13 feet.

**CLEARING MARKS.**  
No Vessel should stand to the Northward of a line joining the S.E. point of Yechau Island with the centre of Guyane Island (bearing respectively from each other N. 67° E. and S. 67° W.) until Echau Head opens clear of S.W. point of Tytami Island bearing N. 1/2 W.

This Rock is about 50 feet Long East and West, and 20 feet North and South. Between the Rock and the Island the Soundings vary from 8 to 10 fathoms.

(Signed) G. KING HARMAN,  
Lieut. and Navigating Officer  
H.M.S. "Mosquito."

Approved.  
(Signed) GEO. A. G. GREY,  
Lieut. and Commander,  
H.M.S. "Mosquito."

Hongkong, 8th May, 1879.

This Notice affects Admiralty Chart No. 2212 and Sailing Directions for the China Sea Vol. III, page 78.

### PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

**NOTICE.**  
COMMENCING with the LOMBARDY leaving Hongkong on the 8th June, and until further notice, the Company's Mail Steamers YAKO (China) will proceed to London, via Suez Canal, calling at Southampton to land Passengers and Mails.

A. MOYER, Superintendent.

Hongkong, May 20, 1879.

### HONGKONG WARE & GODOWNS STORAGE.

**GOODS RECEIVED ON STORAGE** at Moderate Rates, in FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS, under European supervision, and VESSELS Discharged alongside the Wharf, on favorable Terms, with quick despatch.

**MEYER & Co.,**  
Proprietors.

Hongkong, November 20, 1878.

### DENTAL NOTICE.

**DR. ROGERS** will visit SHANGHAI during the Summer Months, leaving Hongkong on the 1st of April next, and returning about 1st November.

Hongkong, February 10, 1879.

## Intimations.

### CEALED TENDERS for the Extension of BOILER SHED; REPAIRS to ROOF, PILLARS, &c., at H.M. NAVAL YARD, will be Received by the Undersigned on or before TUESDAY, the 27th Instant, at Noon.

Plan and Specification can be seen on application at the NAVAL STOREKEEPER'S OFFICE.

**JOHN BRENNER,**  
Naval Storekeeper.

H. M.'s Naval Yard,  
Hongkong, 13th May, 1879.

### GOVERNMENT CIVIL HOSPITAL.

**THE POST OF STEWARD and STORE-KEEPER** will be VACANT for about Six Weeks from 1st June.

EMOLUMENTS: \$60 per Mensem, with Quarters, Fuel and Light.

Further Particulars may be had on applying to the SUPERINTENDENT.

Hongkong, May 20, 1879.

### NOTICE.

**HONGKONG COMMERCIAL EXCHANGE.**

**THE EXCHANGE ROOMS** in MARINE HOUSE, Queen's Road Central, will be Open and Ready for the use of MEMBERS, on MONDAY, the 2nd June next.

Applications for admission as Members to be addressed to

**E. GEORGE,**  
Secretary.

Hongkong, May 14, 1879.

### YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

**NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.**

**THE** Directors have declared an EXTRA DIVIDEND of FIVE PER CENT. on Shareholders Capital, payable at the Office of the Secretaries, on the 28th Instant, to SHAREHOLDERS of Record on the 21st Instant.

By Order of the Directors,  
**RUSSELL & Co.,**  
Secretaries.

Shanghai, 18th April, 1879.

### NOTICE.

**CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE.**

**ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1878.**

**SHAREHOLDERS** in the above Office are requested to furnish the Undersigned with a LIST of THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS for the Year ending 31st December, 1878, in order that the Distribution of the PROFITS Reserved for CONTRIBUTORS may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 30th JUNE Next will be adjusted by the OFFICE, and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

**JARDINE, MATHERSON & Co.,**  
General Agents.

Hongkong, 14th May, 1879.

### YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

**NOTICE.**

**IN** accordance with the Articles of Agreement, the Directors have declared a DIVIDEND to POLICYHOLDERS for the FIFTEEN MONTHS ending 31st December 1878, of THIRTY-THREE PER CENT. on the NET PREMIA CONTRIBUTED, payable at our OFFICE on and after the 15th Instant.

POLICYHOLDERS are requested to send in particulars of their Contributions.

By Order of the Directors,  
**RUSSELL & Co.,**  
Agents.

Hongkong, May 5, 1879.

### NOTICE.

**MR. EDWARD BURNIE** will Conduct my BUSINESS of MARINE SURVEYOR during my temporary absence from the Colony.

**R. H. CAIRNE,**  
Club Chambers,  
Hongkong, May 6th, 1879.

### NOTICE.

**FROM** the 1st of OCTOBER, DR. EASTLAKE will receive his Patients at his new DENTAL ROOMS, No. 50, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, over the MEDICAL HALL.

Hongkong, September 23, 1878.

## Intimations.

### Volume Seventh of the "CHINA REVIEW."

**Now Ready.**

**No. 5.—Vol. VII.**  
—OF THE—  
**"CHINA REVIEW"**

**CONTAINS—**  
Legislation and Law in Ancient China.  
Jottings from the Book of Rites 禮記.  
Chinese Running Hand.  
The Critical Disquisitions of Wang Ch'ung.  
The Sadness of Separation, or Li Sao.  
Historical Table of the High Officials Composing the Central and Provincial Governments of China.  
Mr. Klugmill and the Shi King.  
Short Notices of New Books and Literary Intelligence.

Notes and Queries:—  
Notes on the Language of the Formosan Savages.  
The Rainfall of Peking in connection with the Sunspot Theory.  
On some of the Constellations in the Shi-king.  
Ancient Vases.  
Anniversary of the Downfall of the Yuen.  
Crocodiles.  
Mourning Etiquette.  
The Land Tax.  
Sanskrit Characters.  
Zoology.  
Mongol Alphabets.  
The God of the Hearth.  
Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.

China Mail Office,  
Hongkong, May 17, 1879.

### SAILORS' HOME.

**ANY** Cast-off CLOTHING, BOOKS, or PAPERS will be thankfully received at the Sailor's Home, West Point.

Hongkong, July 25, 1878.

### NOTICES OF FIRMS.

**MR. THOMAS WILLIAM WRIGHT** is authorised to SIGN our Firm per Procuration from this Date.

**SAYLE & Co.,**  
Hongkong, May 6, 1879.

### NOTICE.

**THE INTEREST AND RESPONSIBILITY** of Mr. WALTER SCOTT FITZ, in our Firm in Hongkong and China, CEASED on the 31st December last.

Mr. CHARLES VINCENT SMITH is admitted a Partner from this Date.

**RUSSELL & Co.,**  
Hongkong, January 1, 1879.

### NOTICE.

**MR. JAMES ANDERSON**, formerly Manager of the Foochow Docks, has this Day been admitted a Partner in our Firm.

**J. INGLIS & Co.,**  
Victoria Foundry, Wanchai.  
Hongkong, April 1, 1879.

### FOR SALE.

**THE** British Iron Barque "BEN-CLUTHA," 997 Tons Register, as she now lies at anchor in CHEFOO Harbour.

For Particulars, &c., apply to Messrs H. SYKES & Co., Chelsoo.

Hongkong, April 28, 1879.

### WASHING BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.)

**WASHERMAN'S BOOKS**, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now ready at this Office.—Price, \$1 each.

CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

### HONG LISTS.

Circular, large sheet.

**THE AMENDED HONG LIST**, in English and Chinese, containing the Names of all the most important Companies, Institutions and Mercantile Houses in the Colony.

Price, 25 cents each; or \$2.50 per dozen.

At the "China Mail" Office.

## Shipping.

### Steamers.

**AUSTRALASIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.**

**FOR PORT DARWIN, COOKTOWN, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.**  
Taking Cargo and Passengers for all Australasian and New Zealand Ports, TASMANIA, NEW CALEDONIA & FIJI.

One of the Company's Steamers will be despatched as above on or about WEDNESDAY, the 28th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

**GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.**  
Hongkong, May 16, 1879.

### Sailing Vessels.

**FOR FOCHOW.**  
The British Ship "BLACK PRINCE," Capt. HEWER, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

**RUSSELL & Co.**  
Hongkong, May 17, 1879.

**FOR NEW-YORK.**  
The 41 American Bark "EDWARD MAY," Capt. JOHNSON, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

**RUSSELL & Co.**  
Hongkong, April 30, 1879.

**FOR SAN FRANCISCO.**  
The 41 British Ship "OLYMPIA," BRADLEY, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will be despatched on or before the 5th of May.

For Freight, apply to

**VOGEL & Co.**  
Hongkong, April 25, 1879.

**FOR SAN FRANCISCO.**  
The American Bark "VESUVIUS," Captain CULL, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

**RUSSELL & Co.**  
Hongkong, May 8, 1879.

**FOR MANILA.**  
The Spanish Schooner "NUEVO CONSTATE," Captain UBIARTE, will have immediate despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to

**REMEDIOS & Co.**  
Hongkong, May 9, 1879.

**FOR NEW-YORK.**  
The 41 American Ship "HATTIE E. TAPLEY," TAPLEY, Master.

For Freight, apply to

**VOGEL & Co.**  
Hongkong, May 19, 1879.

**FOR HAMBURG.**  
The British Bark "GOLDEN FLEECE," WILSHIRE, Master.

For Freight, apply to

**VOGEL & Co.**  
Hongkong, May 7, 1879.

**FOR NEW-YORK.**  
The 41 American Ship "HAZE," EVANS, Master.

For Freight, apply to



## NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S. S. COMPANY.

## NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship *Belgio*, from San Francisco, &c., are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding discharge of the Steamer will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

H. M. BLANCHARD,  
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, May 17, 1879. my24

## FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S.S. *Glenfinlas* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods—except the exception of Opium—are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 1 p.m. To-day.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 26th instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, May 20, 1879. my28

## FROM SAN FRANCISCO AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship *Alaska*, Captain SEABURY, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding her discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

The above Steamer having incurred General Average, Consignees of Cargo and Treasure are notified that a General Average Bond is now lying at our Office and will require their Signature before delivery.

RUSSELL & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, May 10, 1879.

## COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

S. S. TIGRE.

## NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. *Gange*, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before To-day, the 16th instant, at 11 a.m., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining undelivered after Friday, the 23rd instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.

Hongkong, May 16, 1879. my23

## To-day's Advertisements.

FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.

The Spanish Steamer "EMUY," BLANCO, Master, will be despatched for the above Ports To-MORROW, the 22nd instant, at 5 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

REMEDIOS & Co.

Hongkong, May 21, 1879. my22

## NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "TANIS," Commandant DE LA MARCKLE, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French Mail from Europe.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.

Hongkong, May 21, 1879.

## NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "YANGTSE," Commandant RAPATTE, will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.

Hongkong, May 21, 1879.

## FOR NEW YORK.

The American Steamer "IRENE," Captain YATZ, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, May 21, 1879.

## TO LET.

SECOND FLOOR and a GODOWN, OFFICES in Queen's Road, now under the occupation of Messrs Wilson & Sons, and Messrs Davis & Co.

Apply to

E. S. BELLION.

Hongkong, May 21, 1879.

## To-day's Advertisements.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE BRITISH BARK *CARRICKA*, FROM LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

MEYER & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, May 21, 1879. my28

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

VALUABLE LAND & GODOWNS, &c.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from Messrs LANDSTEIN & Co. to sell by Public Auction, on

THURSDAY,

the 12th June, 1879, at 3.30 p.m., at their Office, MARINE HOUSE, Queen's Road,—

The following VERY VALUABLE LOT OF LAND, with COAL GODOWNS AND CHINESE DWELLING HOUSES erected thereon, at Praya East, having a Water Frontage of 116 feet by 314 feet, containing about 36,000 square feet, divided into Lots as follows:—

Lot No. 1.—Portion of that PIECE OF PARCEL OF GROUND, situated at Praya East in Hongkong, Registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 428, with Four Chinese Dwelling Houses erected thereon, fronting Cross Street.

Lot No. 2.—Portion of that PIECE OF PARCEL OF GROUND, situated at Praya East in Hongkong, Registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 429, with Four Chinese Dwelling Houses erected thereon, fronting Cross Street.

Lot No. 3.—Portion of that PIECE OF PARCEL OF GROUND, situated at Praya East in Hongkong, Registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 429, with Four Chinese Dwelling Houses erected thereon, fronting Albany Street.

Lot No. 4.—Portion of that PIECE OF PARCEL OF GROUND, situated at Praya East in Hongkong, Registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 428, with Four Chinese Dwelling Houses erected thereon, fronting Nullah Lane.

Lot No. 5.—That PIECE OF PARCEL OF GROUND, situated at Praya East in Hongkong, Registered in the Land Office as Marine Lot No. 116, with Three Large Godowns capable of storing 2,700 tons each, and Two Small Godowns with Water Frontage and Servants' Quarters erected thereon.

TERMS OF SALE.—One-quarter of Purchase Money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the Balance on completion of Transfer, the expense of which to be paid by the Purchasers.

The Property to be at Purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

For further Particulars and Plans, apply to

HUGHES & BEGGE,  
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, May 21, 1879. jun12

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debts contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

GOLDEN FLEEC, British barque, Capt. James Wiltshire, Vogel & Co.

ALEXA, British barque, Captain George Robb, Jardine, Matheson & Co.

ANNIE W. WESTON, American barque, Captain H. O. Winsor, Order.

VESEVUS, American barque, Captain F. W. Oall, Order.

JOHN R. STANHOPE, American barque, Capt. H. G. Pillsbury, Arnold, Karberg & Co.

ARGYLL, British steamer, Captain D. Scott, Jardine, Matheson & Co.

BERTHOVEN, German barque, Captain H. J. Melchers & Co.

KILLARNEY, British steamer, Captain Henry O'Neill, Gibb, Livingston & Co.

ALICE C. DICKERMAN, American 3-m. schooner, Captain Wm. J. Bugant, Order.

EXCELSIOR, American barque, Capt. D. B. Eddy, Captain.

ANNE, Danish schooner, Capt. Lassen, Chinese.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

May 20, *Perla del Oceano*, Spanish sch., 218, José Y. de Aldecoa, Manila May 9, Spanwood.—CHINESE.

May 20, *Sun-kee*, Chinese B. C., from Canton.

May 20, *China*, German steamer, 648, J. Ackermann, Shanghai May 18, General.—SILKSSON & Co.

May 21, *Douglas*, British steamer, 864, M. Young, Foochow May 16, Amoy 18, and Swatow 20, General.—DOUGLAS LAFFRAE & Co.

May 21, *Emily*, Spanish steamer, 232, Blanco, Manila May 19, General.—REMEDIOS & Co.

May 21, *Carrick*, British barque, 976, Thomas D. Jones, London Jan. 19, General.—MEYER & Co.

May 21, *Antenor*, British steamer, 1844, H. Jones, Shanghai May 18, via Amoy, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

May 21, *Yehing*, British steamer, 286, D. McDougall, Swatow May 20, General.—KWON ACHONG.

May 21, *Wahai*, British steamer, 258, A. Zunker, Hainan May 20, General.—LANDSTEIN & Co.

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## DEPARTURES.

May 21, *Gilmerum*, for San Francisco.  
21, *Fuyue*, for Shanghai.  
21, *Cassandra*, for Canton.  
21, *Ono Constante*, for Manila.  
21, *China*, for Canton.  
21, *Rosbud*, for Takao.  
21, *Namoa*, for Coast Ports.  
21, *Glenfinlas*, for Shanghai.

## CLEARED.

*Freeman*, for Hainan.  
*Pernambuco*, for Saigon.  
*Jeddah*, for Swatow.  
*Hermine*, for E-On (Ochoa-china.)

## PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.  
Per *Douglas*, from Coast Ports, Messrs Pitt, Scott, and Wilson, and 225 Chinese.  
Per *China*, from Shanghai, 38 Chinese.  
Per *Emmy*, from Manila, 160 Chinese.  
Per *Antenor*, from Shanghai, Mr Cottell, and 6 Chinese.  
Per *Yehing*, from Swatow, 92 Chinese, and 1 European deck.  
Per *Wahai*, from Hainan, 10 Chinese.

## DEPARTED.

Per *Namoa*, for Foochow, Messrs W. Reeves, and Schwebelin.  
Per *Glenfinlas*, for Shanghai, Mrs Hammond.  
Per *Fuyue*, for Shanghai, 150 Chinese.  
To DEPART.  
Per *Pernambuco*, for Saigon, 20 Chinese.  
Per *Jeddah*, for Swatow, 450 Chinese.  
Per *Hermine*, for E-On, 10 Chinese.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The Spanish steamer *Emmy* reports: Fine weather throughout.  
The German steamer *China* reports: Left Woonung on the 16th inst. at 8 a.m. Arrived at Hongkong on the 20th at 8 p.m. Had light variable winds and changeable weather all the time.

The British steamer *Douglas* reports: Left Foochow on Friday the 16th May, Amoy 18th, and Swatow 20th. Had moderate southerly winds and fine weather throughout. Passed S. S. *Fuyue* near Ninespina bound North. In Foochow: S. S. *Glenfinlas*, *Glenfalloch*, *Braemar Castle*, *Ben Glos*, *Yeviot*, *Syria*, *Merionethshire*, and *E.M.S. Lily*. In Amoy: U.S.S. *Ranger*, German gunboat *Wolf*, S.S. *Albay* and *Oriskany*. In Swatow: S.S. *Foochow* and *Yehing* leaving.

The British barque *Carrick* reports: Crossed the Equator Feb. 11th, sighted Island of St. Pauls March 20th, Christmas Island April 12th, and Java Head on 14th. Entered Straits of Sunda April 20th, experienced light southerly winds in Java Sea, and from Gaspar Straits to Natunas light variable airs and calms and occasional squalls from N.W. From Natunas to this port light Easterly winds. Feb. 8th, spoke the ship *Kidman*, from New Zealand to London, 72 days out, in lat. 2.15 N., long. 35.42 W. April 20th, spoke the barque *Active*, from Cardiff to Amoy, 98 days out, in Straits of Sunda, and County of Demigh from Antwerp to Shanghai, 90 days out.

The British steamer *Antenor* reports: Left Shanghai at 6 a.m. on Friday the 16th inst. At 5 p.m., passed U. S. S. *Schueler* with General Grant on board. During passage had light variable winds with hazy weather and foggy at times.

The British steamer *Wahai* reports: Light Easterly winds and fine weather.

CARGO.

Per American barque *T. A. Goddard*, Hongkong to New York, sailed 8th May, 1879:—800 bales Cassia, 162 bales Rags, 277 bales Straw Braid, 55 bales Camels Hair, 188 bales Hides, 400 rolls Matting, 20 cases Gall Nuts, 400 cases Fann, 18 cases Shells, 218 pkgs. Firecrackers (1,704 boxes), 42 pkgs. Chinaware, 368 pkgs. Camphor, 1,278 pkgs. Chinese Merchandise, 35 pkgs. Sundries, and 5,196 pkgs. Tea (32,861 lbs. Amoy Oolong, 122,416 lbs. Tamsui Oolong, and 67,400 lbs. Japan.)

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For SWATOW AND AMOY.—

Per *Jeddah*, at 9.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 22nd inst., instead of as previously notified.

For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS, SUEZ, AND LONDON.—

Per *Deucalion*, at 11.30 a.m., on Thursday, the 22nd inst., instead of as previously notified.

For SAIGON.—

Per *Cetacea*, at 4.30 p.m., on Friday, the 23rd inst.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet *Alaska* will be despatched on MONDAY, the 26th instant, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, and the United States, which will be closed as follows:—

2.15 P.M. Registry of Letters closes.

2.30 P.M. Post-Office closes, but Letters (except for Non-Union Countries) may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 18 cents extra. Postage until the time of departure.

Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies (except the Bahamas and Hayti), Monte Video, Paraguay, and Uruguay can no longer be sent by this route.

Hongkong, May 8, 1879. my28

MAILS BY THE FRANKER PACKET.

To: French Consulate Packet *Franchely* will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 27th instant, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, via Naples to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, Bombay, Aden, Suez, and Alexandria.

The usual hour will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet *Alaska* will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 31st inst., with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, and the United States, which will be closed as follows:—

2.15 P.M. Registry of Letters closes.

2.30 P.M. Post-Office closes, but Letters (except for Non-Union Countries) may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 18 cents extra. Postage until the time of departure.

Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies (except the Bahamas and Hayti), Monte Video, Paraguay, and Uruguay can no longer be sent by this route.

Hongkong, May 17, 1879.

## MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

## Shipping.

5 p.m.—*Emmy* leaves for Manila, &c.

## General Memoranda.

FRIDAY, May 23:—

10 a.m.—Criminal Sessions.  
Goods per *Tigre* undelivered after Noon, subject to rent and landing charges.

MONDAY, May 26:—

Goods per *Glenfinlas* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

TUESDAY, May 27:—

French Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

Noon.—Tenders for Naval Work.

2 p.m.—Sale of Household Furniture, &c., at Mr J. Francis' residence, No. 1, Cairne Street.

WEDNESDAY, May 28:—

Dividend of 5% on Shares of Yangtze Insurance Association payable at the office of Russell & Co.

SATURDAY, May 31:—

3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

MONDAY, June 2:—

3 p.m.—American Mail leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

TUESDAY, June 3:—

Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

THURSDAY, June 12:—

3.30 p.m.—Sale of Valuable Land, &c., at the Marine House.

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THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 1879.



a musical treat of singular sweetness and beauty. The next was a comic song—"Just Behind the Battle, Mother," by Corporal F. Griffin, who convinced every one that he had been for years a Christy and is now a minstrel of no mean order. The banjo accompaniment, the ease and confidence of his acting, added greatly to the perfection of his impersonation of the brave soldier who "honoured his father and mother that his days might be long in the land." None save a first-class professional could excel in this particular performance. Of course he was encored, and then gave a short ditty full of local hits and phrases which could not fail to please the audience. Another hearty call for his reappearance was given, but "declined with thanks." Our farcical friend of innumerable years' standing "Box and Cox," negroized, and a Plantation Waik-Round, finished the evening, a hearty mood of gratitude is due, to the Band of the 27th, which by kind permission of H. E. the Major General, was in attendance, and did much to intensify the pleasure of the evening. The performance will be repeated to-night.

CAPT. DEANE, forwarding to the Government, May 1st, the pension paper of ex P. C. John Freeman, remarked that his character roll would count for ten years' service as "very good." Freeman applied for a passage to England, which would cost \$250; but by Section 3 of Ordinance No. 8 of 1869, he was only entitled to three months' pay, or \$120; as he was enlisted in Hongkong. It therefore rested with the Governor to decide whether the greater favour was to be allowed. The man joined in April 1869; his offences had been these:—April 1870 he lost a Government revolver and replaced it by order; July he was cautioned for disorderly conduct. In 1871, he assaulted a constable in the Station, and was fined \$1, so that the offence could not have been serious. In May he was absent one day from drill, and put in one extra for it. In 1874 he was cautioned for being absent from drill; next year, in October, he had his leave stopped for a month for fighting in Whitefield Station. In 1877, (May 26) he was in charge of Hung Hom station, and at 10 p.m. ought to have sent the Indians on duty. At midnight the Inspector of the District visited the theatre at To Kwa Wan, arrested a man, and found no Constable there. He went to Hung Hom, and found Freeman and the Indians (who ought to have been on duty) in their beds. For this gross neglect of duty he was fined \$6. Three weeks afterwards he was fined \$5 for being asleep on duty. Capt. Deane argued that as the number of offences were few when the number of years he had served were considered, his character on his discharge certificate should be marked "very good." His Excellency, however, who reviews the whole case, in a nine-para. minute, remarking that the offence of May 26 is so grave that it is impossible for him to overlook it, orders that a lower mark of conduct be substituted for the phrase "very good," and that Freeman be paid the lower bonus of \$120, instead of \$250. The Governor remarks that he cannot approve of the practice as to recording character rolls "very good" even although the offences are few, and the fines less than \$10. The Governor has long been of opinion that upon the thorough performance of the night duties of the Police Force we have mainly to depend for the prevention of crime in this Colony. He sees no reason for doubting the accuracy of the view taken by the recent Police Committee that this Colony has been insufficiently policed at night time, and that this has had probably more to do with the increase in some class of offences than any other cause. Were he, he says, to give Freeman the suggested bonus of \$250, he would not be encouraging that thorough performance of the night duties of the Force that he considers to be of such vital importance. His Excellency adds:—The decision may appear to press hardly upon P. C. Freeman, who, knowing the practice that had existed here for some years past, has not unnaturally calculated on receiving a discharge certificate marked "very good" though on two occasions during my brief administration of the Colony, he has been fined for neglect of night duties, yet I am sure every officer and man in the Police Force will understand that this decision points, on the other hand, to the fact that the Head of the Executive will not be indifferent to the faithful discharge of the night duties of the Police and that the award of whatever bonuses or promotions in the Police may be at my disposal, will depend, in no small degree, on the way in which each individual in the Force does his work in protecting the Colony, at night.

THE WU-SHIN-SHAN CASE. "Justice," writing to a Shanghai paper from Foochow on the 9th inst., says:—The Wu-shin-shan difficulty, which created such an excitement here and occasioned so many comments from the numerous newspapers of the country, and especially from that remarkable journal that flourishes in this portion of the globe, was tried before Judge French on the 30th of last month, and the sitting was ended to-day at 12 noon. The whole case occupied 9 days, one having been lost in a vain attempt by his lordship to induce the bailiffs to come to an amicable settlement of the whole matter. On the first day of the sitting of the Court, the Court-room was filled to overflowing by a mixed crowd of Chinese and foreigners. Among the most prominent of either country were H. E. Sir Thomas Wade, Yang Tze-tai, an official deservedly popular both among his own countrymen and foreigners on account of his uniform ability and courteousness to all persons, and Sheng Tze-tai, both members of the Committee of the Foreign Board of Trade, the latter the district Consul here, Chen Hsueh, Esq., Commissioner of Customs,

and many others. There was also a large number of ladies to grace the proceedings. The counsel for the plaintiffs was Mr. Thomas C. Hall, Esq., of Hongkong, and for the defence Mr. N. J. Hansen of your port. The counsel for the plaintiffs occupied the whole of the first day in opening his case, and his remarks were clear and to the point. The second day was occupied in questioning the witnesses for the prosecution, but only two could be heard on that day, owing to the length of the examinations: the third, fourth, and fifth days were also occupied in the hearing of witnesses, and on the latter day Mr. Hansen opened the case for the defence, which occupied half a day, the first witness on his side being the defendant, whose examination took up the remainder of the day. The cross examination was unusually severe; in fact, the counsel for the plaintiffs appeared to treat the witness as a criminal. This arose, perhaps, from the fact that the counsel for the defence had impugned the opposite side, characterising the case as a got up one. There was a good deal of excitement, and bets were freely made that judgment would be given against the defendant. The defendant, John Richard Wolfe, is a tall man, considerably above the middle height, and of a thin and slight form, with grey eyes, black hair, and long black beard. His face seemed restless during the trial, and at times when particular evidence was given against him, he seemed quite uneasy. Anent the Wu-shin-shan affair, it is my opinion that the Chinese officials have been uniformly most unjustly attacked by such papers as the *Foochow Herald* for deceit and apathy in the matter. And I should not be surprised but that the editor of the said paper will awake some fine morning and find himself a defendant in a suit for libel. Freedom of the press is all very well, but when an indiscriminate attack is made on the private life and antecedents of individuals, it becomes a serious matter. The general sentiment among foreigners here is favourable to the Chinese, and there seems every chance of a decision being given for the plaintiffs. Judge French goes up to Shanghai to-day in the *Europe*, whence he will send down his judgment on the case to be read in open court by Chas. A. Sinclair, Esq., H. B. M.'s Consul here. The weather has been remarkably warm, but, on the whole, more pleasant than otherwise. It is reported that General Grant will visit Foochow on his way up to Shanghai, but it is uncertain.

## CORRESPONDENCE

CHINESE BUILDINGS.  
To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Hongkong, May 21st.  
SIR,—Perusing your remarks of the 19th instant relative to the falling of Chinese houses, I find you advert to the absurd manner in which buildings are allowed to be constructed in this Colony. Well, I have seen many buildings run up, both at home and abroad, and being a practical man in that style of business, I must say that there appears to me a very great want of system and supervision on the part of the Surveyor General's office, in allowing plans to pass, and buildings to be run-up in such an erratic manner as they are doing. It really looks like giving-way to Chinese notions—which would not so much matter even, if they knew how to do a bit of work; but they do not; and so far as I have seen and inspected them I must say that their work is a botch and a cobble. I have thoroughly examined and watched over three hundred bricklayers at work, and there was not one man who understood bond-work; neither old English, Flemish, nor Composite-work; none masons they may be, but they are not bricklayers, as they lack the science, their system being to lay bricks lengthways on both edges of the walls, and to fill up the interstices with pieces of brick, rubbish, and execrable mortar. Then again the Chinese use no water, i.e. they never flood their brick work, or soak the bricks, as Europeans do; consequently when the mortar comes in contact with the dry bricks, the brick absorbs the moisture from the mortar in no time, and the mortar then becomes a friable mass, the consequence being that the building is not bound together or really substantial, and is very little better than one brick laid upon another.

Then, again, look at the wretched stuff yeelp mortar used in this Colony. Whoever heard of using uncoloured clay for "mortar" (which is burnt brick, or ballast ground in a mill and forms a substance almost imperishable)? Therefore one may easily perceive how these Chinese tenements may fall down, and kill even passers in the streets, from the flimsy, and inflammable character of the materials of which they are composed. If wing walls were insisted on by the Authorities much less danger would accrue. I therefore throw this out as a suggestion, with a hope that in the future other designs will be insisted on, so that people may not be jeopardized by falling houses, perishable material, and bad workmanship.

## ARTISAN.

Police Intelligence.  
(Before C. F. Cragg Esq.)  
Tuesday, 20th May.

BREACH OF OPTUM ORDINANCE.  
Fung A-in, a silvermith, was fined \$100, in default two months' hard labour, for being found in possession of about fifty tael of prepared opium and a pan which looked as if it had been recently used for preparing opium.

## LARCENY.

Chan Ahn, a coolie, aged 17 years, was charged with stealing a quantity of tape, the property of the Royal Engineer's Department, from the new Fort at Shaikwan Road. Defendant admitted the charge and was sent to 14 days' hard labour.

## GAMBLING "HELLS."

Chan Ahn, and eighteen other men, all described as coolies, were charged with being found in a public gambling house at No. 35 Gilman's Bazaar. The defendants were arrested by a party of water police under Inspector Matheson. The Inspector was provided with a warrant for entering houses No. 35, 31, 33, and 35 Gilman's Bazaar, and as soon as the police arrived there a stampede took place, and out of a small colony of the same class, nineteen votaries of the enticing and wicked game of "fan-tan" were arrested. The gamblers were caught by the roof, by the windows, and by the door, and in fact, metaphorically speaking, the air was darkened for a few moments with gamblers, who

poured into the lane from all directions. Of course the defendants had excuses to offer for their presence in the houses; these excuses are invariably the same. Numbers of them are impelled by a sudden desire to search for their clansmen, and being, doubtless, well acquainted with the weakness of their tribe, sought them in these forbidden haunts. Some were anxiously looking for some long-lost brother, others seeking their medical adviser. In this case one poor dupe said that he did go there to gamble, but was sick and wanted to win as much as would pay his passage home, but he had, instead, lost 200 cash. Of course no one gambles for the sake of gambling. These nineteen wretches were dealt with as follows:—The first defendant was fined \$200, in default six months' hard labour; three were fined \$50, in default six weeks' hard labour; one \$10, with the alternative of fourteen days' hard labour; and the others \$2 each, in default to go to goal for seven days, with hard labour.

## Wednesday, 21st May.

Li Ahn, a boatman, and Wong Alai, a boy, were charged with being out without a light or pass. They were found skulking under Donging Laprak's Wharf at 1.30 a.m. and said they had no other place to sleep. P. C. Ward said that there was no place to sleep there. The first defendant admitted three previous convictions for larceny and was fined \$5 with the alternative of 21 days' hard labour; the second defendant was fined \$1 or in default five days' hard labour.

## A NICE SERVANT.

Ho Ahn, a servant at the Temperance Hall, was charged with having been guilty of repeated misconduct as a domestic servant, in repeatedly leaving the premises without permission although he had stringent orders to the contrary. A number of articles had been missing from the Hall lately, and the defendant's conduct caused the Manager to suspect him of knowing something of the missing property; but although defendant knew that he was suspected, he went out on Saturday night without permission, returning half an hour after midnight, when he made a great disturbance demanding admittance. Defendant admitted the charge, and said that he forgot to ask permission. His Worship fined him \$2 with the alternative of seven days' hard labour.

## BREACH OF OPTUM ORDINANCE.

Lo Ahn, an ex-Optum Constable, pleaded guilty to being found in possession of fifty tael weight of prepared opium, which he said he had purchased at Macao and was taking to Maule. He was fined \$70, and the opium was confiscated.

## SUPREME COURT.

IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.  
(Before His Honor the Chief Justice, Sir J. S. S. S.)

## TRAFFICKING IN SMALL BOYS.

Soo Ahn and Chan A I were charged with, April 8th, detaining by force or fraud a child under the age of fourteen, depriving the mother Lau Ahuk of the lawful custody or possession thereof, and on a second count with detaining said child with intent to sell him. The jury comprised—Messrs S. V. dos Remedios, W. H. Perceval, L. F. A. Colling, S. Hancock, Alex. McConachie, Geo. W. Nutt, and J. S. Moses.

The Chief Justice called the Attorney General's attention to the words of the indictment "force or fraud," and asked whether he could show any precedent for such a charge. By the rules of pleading it was laid down that every information should be precise.

The Attorney General quoted the judgment in the case of Regina v. Rebecca Goldsmith, 7 George IV. chap. 64, sec. 1, to show that an indictment was good if laid in the words of the statute.

The Chief Justice said it was good after a verdict, but not during the trial if objection was taken to it. He would only be satisfied that this indictment was good, if the Attorney General could show him a precedent. The laws of pleading applied entirely here except in so far as they were altered by the Ordinance; and the Ordinance nowhere said that the pleadings should be in this alternative form. The words in the statute "force or fraud" simply meant that if any person was found guilty of one or other in detaining a child, he would be guilty of an offence under this section; but he must be charged separately with these offences.

The Attorney General said he would strike out the words "or fraud," and stand on the words, "detain by force."

The Chief Justice asked whether he cared to insert another count.

The Attorney General was afraid there would then be the objection that it had not been properly served.

The Chief Justice reminded him that the Court had the right to amend the indictment.

The Attorney General elected to go on, with the simple deletion of the words "or fraud."

Both prisoners pleaded "not guilty."

The Attorney General, in opening the case, said the boy out of whose sale this case arose was apprehended to a man at Canton as a tailor; one day in March last he met a man on the street who induced him to come to Hongkong, telling him it was a very fine place, and that he would find everything he wanted there, and would be much better off there than he could be where he was. The boy was brought to Hongkong by this man, and was taken to the house of a woman named A Ng, where he stayed that night. Next, he was taken to the house of these women, or of the first prisoner, at Yow-ma-ti, the little place they all knew at the other side of the water, but which was within the colony of Hongkong; there the second prisoner appeared upon the scene; the boy was handed over to them by the woman A Ng, and they all went to the house of a druggist there, and sold the boy for \$175, which was there and then paid them; they asked \$20 for the boy but abated the price; a deed of gift for \$25 was granted to cover the transaction. They represented to the druggist that the boy's mother was dead, and sold him to this man to be held as his son. Now, in cases where a person of tender years, such as this little boy was, was detained, any detention whatever was to be considered detention by force; his Lordship would so advise them. The druggist appeared to have acted throughout in bona fide; he appeared to consider he was acting in good faith and had a claim upon the boy; this

right, when the boy's relatives found him out and were about to remove him, he contended for, leading to a disturbance and scuffle on board the boat, which attracted the attention of one of the officers of the police, and led to the case being brought to light. He was shown the paper the men rested his claim to the boy on, and told them that a transaction of this sort could not be recognised under the English Law. His Lordship would advise them that such detention as he would prove had been practised in this case, where they removed him to this house and kept him there, not allowing him to go out, nor have a chance of running away, or making any outcry, was forcible detention in face of the law.

Li Ahn, the boy who had been sold, was the first witness. He is a remarkably sharp, neat, clean, intelligent and valuable little fellow. He gave his evidence, through the interpreter, with self-possession and straight-forwardness. He said:—I am 13 years of age this year. My father is dead; my mother, whose name is Lau Ahuk, is in the country. I was apprenticed to a man in Canton as a tailor; my grandfather (at least we call him so) took me there, my mother consenting. She never came to see me. I had only been apprenticed for a few months, when, one day I was out from my master's shop, to buy some things, and met a man named Akum. He told me:—"Come with me down to Hongkong; it is a very good place for you to learn to be an actor." When he spoke to me I did not feel inclined to go with him, but he took hold of my hand, and took me on board the steamer; we were not far from the Wharf, and he led me right on board. I was not willing to go, but he brought me. He brought me to Hongkong, and then took me to Sayingpoo, to a house over a barber's shop. I slept in that house all night. A woman named A Ng took me to Yow-ma-ti next day; she took me first to the house of the two prisoners; and afterwards to the house of a druggist. The first prisoner said to the druggist:—"This boy has no father nor mother; this is his elder brother (referring to Akum) who brought him from Canton." The man being asked,—"Is that your younger brother," said, "Yes." The second prisoner was the act of the time, and said:—"A little child was brought here for sale, a short while ago." After this the two prisoners and A Ng took me to the druggist's shop. A Kum went away by this time, the husband of the first prisoner having spoken something to him, which she heard, but I did not. In the druggist's shop the two prisoners talked with the master of the shop. When we were going into the shop they told me that if anybody asked me whether I had any father or mother I was to say "No." The first prisoner's husband, who was also with us, told me the same. The two prisoners left me there and went away. I remained with the druggist about a month. I assisted in grinding the medicines. My uncle, Lam A Tin, came there and found me; I came away with him and was finally taken to the police station. (The druggist called into Court.) That is the man in whose house I was.

By the Court:—I never before saw the man who picked me up at Canton. Examination continued:—I wanted to go home to my mother, but I could not get away. A Ng the woman, at the prisoner's house and in their hearing and presence, said to them:—"Don't let him go out." They said:—"Certainly, we will not let him go out; he will never come back." First prisoner said this; the second was present and heard it. I was afraid to go out. I attempted to go out, and first prisoner said:—"Don't you go out."

Both the prisoners being asked whether they had any questions to ask said:—"It is all his."

Lam A Tin, tailor, in partnership with his father-in-law at Canton, and a relative of the boy's, and the druggist who had bought the boy were next examined. The latter produced the deed of sale, relative to the transfer for \$175. In connection with this, the Chief Justice called attention to the second breach, within a few days, of the rules of this Court with regard to providing proper translations of the Chinese documents to be put in evidence. Every document, no matter whether there was any translation from the Police Court or no, should be accompanied by a proper translation by a sworn interpreter of this Court. In the compromise case the neglect, very seriously hindered and interfered with the course of Justice. He refused to receive the present document (a verified translation of which was afterwards put in), and hoped he would not meet with any further breaches of the rule.

Being asked why he, knowing the law of Hongkong to be against the buying and selling of children, as he admitted he had, told the women, had still bought this child. Witness replied that it was because of their telling him that this deed of gift would keep them out of the power of the law, and because the boy had, as he was told, no father and no mother.

Inspector Cameron and his interpreter proved the disturbance at the boat and the apprehension of the women. The Judge asking him why he did not apprehend the druggist as well as, or instead of, the women.

Inspector Cameron said he wanted the man as a witness.

His Lordship said he had no right to elect who were to be witnesses and who charged with the offence. These poor wretches were taken, while this man, one of some position in the place, was allowed to escape—a man who, knowing the law to be against his action, bought the boy, paid his money, and attempted to screen himself with this paper. The Inspector had acted very unwisely.

The evidence of Chinese Constable 149 in this Court was diametrically opposed to his evidence in the Police Court. It appeared that he had been ordered by Inspector Cameron to go with one of these women to the house where the other woman, the principal apparently in the whole transaction, was said to be. This, he swore in the Police Court, he did; and now he swore he did not go.

The Chief Justice said he had probably got another man to go for him, and then sworn to what the other man told him were the facts.

Mr Russell concurred.

The Chief Justice said this was scandalous on the part of a policeman, on whose evidence juries had to rely. The case should be reported.

The Attorney General and Inspector Cameron each said he would see the case reported.

The indictment was amended by the substitution of the date 16th March instead of 18th April. The mistake, which was

not material, was the slip of a copying clerk. The 18th April was the day the prisoners were first charged. This closed the case.

The prisoners being called on for any statement they desired to make, said they were told by this woman, A Ng, that the boy was an orphan, that he had neither food nor clothes; they had heard that the doctor wanted a boy, and took him there; he gave them a present for their trouble; but A Ng and the man Akum took away the \$175, leaving them only 50 cents.

In summing up, the Judge suggested that the druggist who had been a witness should have been in the dock. Child-stealing and child selling would never be put an end to as long as the law was directed against only these wretched go-betweens.

The jury found both prisoners guilty, but recommended them to the mercy of the Court because of the subsidiary part they had played in the offence, the principal actors in the matter not being before the Court.

His Lordship stated that he quite concurred with the verdict, and said he should give their recommendation every possible consideration.

When the verdict was explained to the women they appeared much distressed, and called out loudly, asserting their ignorance of the law.

His Lordship asked one of them, who had a child in the dock with her, how she would feel if her child were stolen in the same way.

The women were then removed, and His Lordship, addressing the druggist, expressed his abhorrence of the crime, and said that he (the druggist) was far more guilty than the women, and should have been placed alongside of them. It might be that he had not heard the last of it yet.

The Sessions were then adjourned till Friday next, when the remaining business before the Court will be taken up, and the prisoners who have been convicted before these Sessions will be sentenced.

## China.

SHANGHAI.

(News.)

H.M. sloop of war *Egeria* will most likely return from Woosung to the senior officer's buoy, off Shanghai, on Tuesday next.

It is expected that Admiral Coote, C.B., will leave during the week in the *Vigilant*, for a visit to the river ports, and that the *Iron Duke* will leave Woosung for Japan about the end of the month.

## (Courier.)

At the meeting held on 14th at the U. S. Consulate by the gentlemen who served in the armies of the United States during the war of the Rebellion, for the purpose of taking action in relation to the expected visit of their old Commander-in-Chief, General Grant, Colonel W. H. Carr was called to the chair, Mr. M. Brown being appointed Secretary. A resolution was passed to call upon General Grant in a body as ex-soldiers and sailors, and a Committee of four was appointed to prepare an address to be signed by all ex-soldiers and ex-sailors in Shanghai, and to arrange for its presentation.

The United States and English navies have at various times rendered each other valuable services, and many acts have been recorded showing the friendly feelings and good-will existing between them. One of the latest instances, as occurring near Shanghai, will not readily be forgotten. When the *Iron Duke* was ashore a few days ago, it seemed very doubtful whether she could be got off without extreme difficulty, and indeed had it not been for the assistance rendered by the U. S. s.s. *Palos* and *Monoway*, H. M.'s vessel would probably still have been in an inconvenient, if not dangerous position. It was a fortunate circumstance that the *Palos* was near at hand, as having been built for towing ironclads, she was specially adapted for the work she lately performed. Gratitude is due for the services thus rendered, and the British Admiral has, we understand, most cordially thanked Captain Sumner for the timely help.

## (Mercury.)

A special meeting of the Lodge Cosmopolitan was held last night (14th) at the Masonic Hall, for the purpose of installing Bro. Joseph Moses Emanuel, the W. M. elect of the newly erected Lodge of St. John's, No. 618 S.O., in Hongkong. Brother Emanuel having produced the charter from G. L. of Scotland, creating the above Lodge, and appointing him as its W. M., the interesting ceremony was proceeded with by Brother W. Penberton, W. M. of the Lodge Cosmopolitan, assisted by Brother W. Birt, I.P.M., and by the Brothers Dewsbury and Janson, P.M.s of the Ancient Landmark Lodge, Mass. Con. There was a large number of visiting brethren, members of Lodges working under various Constitutions.

## Japan.

YOKOHAMA.

(Herald.)

We stated yesterday that the coal-mine case between Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co. and Mr. Goto Shojiro had been compromised in such manner that the defendant had consented to accept judgment in \$1,100,000; on further enquiry we have, however, learnt that this statement was incorrect, and that the affair has been compromised by the parties splitting the difference between them, so that the defendant acknowledges himself indebted in 650,000 yen, of which 200,000 yen are to be paid at once, and the balance, or 450,000 yen, in yearly instalments extending over a long series of years. The deed of indebtedness, which has been handed to the plaintiffs is written in the same form as ordinarily used in Japanese bonds, and according to Japanese law. There will thus be no more hearings in the case, and the compromise has been ratified by the Judge. The long pending action has now been brought to an end.

We believe that we are correct in stating that General Grant, during the brief stay he will make in Yokohama, will be the guest of the American Consul-General, General Van Buren.

The German prince is expected in Tokio about the 20th of next month, and officers from the Departments of Foreign Affairs and of the Imperial Household will shortly be despatched to Nagasaki, Kobe, and Osaka to receive him.

The *Meiji Maru*, on board which the ex-King of Looschoo has embarked, has not arrived yet; the usual time for a vessel from the harbour of Naha in Looschoo to Yokohama, is 14 days, and as now more than 8 weeks have passed since the *Meiji Maru* left that port, some anxiety is felt about her.

## Singapore.

(Straits Times.)

We are informed that a meeting of ship owners and others interested in the Coasting Trade will be held in Messrs. Bun Hin & Co.'s godown to-morrow (14th) at noon to consider certain hardships to which, as they conceive, they are subjected by the incidence of local legislation, entailing upon them unnecessary expense, and to adopt a memorial to Government praying for some relief. The following are three of the grievances specified. The steam Ordinance No. 9 of 1878 estimates the number of engineers a vessel ought to carry by the tonnage instead of the horse power. As for example, a steamer of 150 tons, but of only 50 to 60 horse power is obliged to carry 2 certificated engineers, when one would be amply sufficient. The same Ordinance renders a survey compulsory every six months on all local steamers, which is another source of unnecessary expense. The third grievance is that vessels under Foreign flags are not liable to the same restrictions as those under the British flag, and thus enjoy very great advantages in the Coasting Trade, which is unfair to British subjects.

Mr. Thomas Heslop Hill, a practical planter from Ceylon, has published a very interesting report upon the capabilities of Johore for planting purposes. The report is very exhaustive and is the result of Mr. Hill's explorations during three months. It will be seen that, although Mr. Hill was not quite satisfied with the information he acquired as to seasons, he expresses no hesitating opinion as to the suitability of Johore soil, climate, and temperature for the cultivation of Liberian Coffee, Cacao, and Tea, more especially the latter product. This being the deliberate opinion of a practical planter, after personal examination of the country it will, no doubt, have its due weight with his brother planters in Ceylon, eager for "fresh fields and pastures new," as well as with capitalists generally. By the last French mail, there arrived here from Ceylon three more planters, Messrs. G. G. Mowbray, A. J. Daw, and T. J. Brabson, bound, it is stated by the *Ceylon Times*, for the Maharajah's territory to prospect for Librarian Coffee and Cacao.

According to private advice, the recent visits of M. M. S. Modeste and Katral to Sandakan Bay have had a tranquillising effect on the infant settlement there and among the Native Chiefs, and will most likely put an end to the intrigues to have the Spanish flag hoisted over the territory ceded by the Sultan of Sulu to Baron Overbeck.

Phon Bhazawaro Suriyongse Phya Bhaskarawongse, who will be a passenger to England by the P. & O. mail steamer to-morrow, is Private Secretary to H. M. the King of Siam, Member of the Privy Council, Grand Chamberlain, and Lieutenant Colonel of the Royal Body Guard. His Excellency, who is the brother of His Highness the ex-Rajent and of the Foreign Minister, belongs to the oldest and most respected noble house in Siam, next to royalty, and whose members have always distinguished themselves by the liberality of their views. Our present visitor is particularly a friend to foreigners, and the kindness of his brothers, the ex-Rajent and Foreign Minister, to all Europeans is well known. His Excellency is an accomplished English scholar, and was a few months ago, appointed by the King, Chief Ambassador to England on the proposed friendly mission to present the highest Siamese order to Her Majesty the Queen, but we may assume, though we have no authority for doing so, that his present visit to England is a far less pleasant one, and is not unconnected with the recent action of the British Consul-General in Bangkok. His Excellency is accompanied by Chumun Sarabhai, K.O.S., A.D.C. and a small suite.

Tun Ah Bro and Sang Wan, both Toe Cheus and headmen of the Three Hin Secret Society, have been sentenced to deportation in connection with the recent riots at Campong Glam, in which one man was killed. Were it not for the watchfulness of the police, it is probable the riots would have assumed larger dimensions.

## Quotations.

Hongkong, May 21, 1879.

OPIMUM.—New Patna, cash, \$552 1/2  
" Old " cash, —  
" New Benares, cash, 620  
" Old " cash, —  
" New Malwa, credit, 750  
" Allowance Tael, —  
" Old Malwa, credit, 750  
" Allowance Tael, —

## Exchange.

Bank, Wire, ... 37 1/2  
" Demand, ... 37 1/2  
" 30 days' sight, ... 38  
" 4 months' sight, ... 38 1/2  
Credits, 6 ... 38 1/2  
Documentary, 6 months' sight, 38 1/2  
India, Wire, ... 227  
" demand, ... 225  
Shanghai, demand, ... 73 1/2  
" 30 days' sight, ... 74  
Gold Leaf, 99 1/2 fine ... 27.40  
Sovereigns, ... 5.39

## Shares.

Hongkong Bank, 60 % prem.  
Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$1,800 ex div.  
China Traders' Ins. Co., \$1,875  
North China Ins. Co., Tls. 1,350 ex div.  
Yangtze Ins. Assoc., Tls. 780 ex div.  
Chinese Insurance Co., \$280  
H.K. Fire Ins. Co., \$750  
H.K. & W. Dock Co., 8 % prem.  
H.K. & M. S. Boat Co., 37 dia.  
Shanghai Steam Navigation, Tls. 13 1/2 ex div.  
China Coast S. S. Co., Tls. 95, ex div.  
Hongkong Gas Co., \$70  
Hongkong Hotel Co., \$68  
China Sugar Refining Co., \$187  
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1874, 2113  
Do. of 1877, 2110

## Temperature.

(Taken at Messrs. Falconer & Co.'s Premises, Queen's Road.)

Hongkong, May 21, 1879.

Barometer—9 A.M. ... 30.050  
Do. 1 P.M. ... 30.000  
Do. 4 P.M. ... 29.980  
Thermometer—9 A.M. ... 88  
Do. 1 P.M. ... 89  
Do. 4 P.M. ... 89 1/2  
Do. (Wet bulb) 9 A.M. ... 82  
Do. Do. 1 P.M. ... 84  
Do. Do. 4 P.M. ... 84  
Do. Maximum ... 90  
Do. Minimum over night ... 82



## To Let.

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**OFFICES, GODOWNS, and GOODS STORED.**  
Apply to  
**PUSTAU & Co.,**  
Praya, Pottinger Street.  
Hongkong, April 30, 1879. my80

## TO LET.

**IN the Houses on MARINE LOT 65,** formerly known as the Blue Houses, situate on Praya East:—  
**FIRST FLOORS** of Nos. 3 and 4, Praya East, with immediate possession.

## TO LET.

**FIRST CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS,** attached to Blue Houses at Wanchai, MARINE LOT 65, and BASEMENTS of Nos. 2 and 3, with immediate possession.

## TO LET.

**A SPACIOUS-TIMBER YARD,** close to the Wanchai Pier. Timber received on Storage or the Yard Rented.  
For further particulars, apply to  
**MEYER & Co.,**  
Hongkong, March 4, 1879. jnl

## TO LET.

**TWO HOUSES,** Nos. 29 and 31, HOLLYWOOD ROAD.  
Apply to  
**J. J. dos REMEDIOS & Co.,**  
Hongkong, May 9, 1879. ja9

## TO LET—AT WANCHAI.

**FIRST CLASS GODOWNS.**  
Goods of every description Landed and Stored.  
For terms, apply to  
**LANDSTEIN & Co.,**  
Hongkong, April 4, 1879. jya

## TO LET—FURNISHED.

**"ROSE VILLAS"—FURNISHED OR UNFURNISHED,** BOKHAM ROAD.  
Apply to  
**SHARP & DANBY,**  
No. 8, Queen's Road Central, late Messrs E. D. Sassoon & Co.  
Hongkong, May 10, 1879.

## TO LET—FURNISHED.

**THE CLIFFS,** near Mount Gough, containing SIX LARGE ROOMS, &c.,—presently occupied by Dr. ADAMS.  
Apply to  
**MR. J. D. HUMPHREYS,**  
Hongkong Dispensary.  
Hongkong, May 8, 1879.

## TO LET.

**HOUSE No. 9, ZELAND STREET.**  
**DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,**  
Hongkong, April 29, 1879.

## TO LET.

**OFFICES in CLUB CHAMBERS.**  
Apply to  
**DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,**  
Hongkong, April 8, 1879.

## TO LET.

**PORTION of a HOUSE,** very suitable for OFFICES and DWELLING, also for a STORE, Queen's Road Central. Possession 1st March next.  
Apply to  
**LANDSTEIN & Co.,**  
Hongkong, February 4, 1879.

## For Sale.

**CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT.** Parts I. and II., A to M, with Introduction. Royal Soc., pp. 404.—By ERNEST JOHN EITEL, Ph.D. Tubingen.  
Price: FIVE DOLLARS, or TWO DOLLARS AND A HALF per Part.  
To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs KELLY & WALSH, Shanghai.  
Hongkong, March 1, 1878.

## Mails.

## NOTICE.

**COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.**  
**PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.**  
**STEAM FOR**  
**SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, MALTA, BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, MEDITERANEAN PORTS, SOUTH AMPTON, AND LONDON (Direct).**  
Also  
**BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND AUSTRALIA.**

## Mails.

**THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship**  
**COMBARDY,** Captain W. B. HALL, will leave this on TUESDAY, the 2nd June, at Noon.  
For further Particulars, apply to  
**A. MEYER, Superintendent.**  
Hongkong, May 10, 1879.

## Mails.

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**BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND AUSTRALIA.**

**ON TUESDAY, the 27th of May, 1879,** the Company's S. S. **IRACADY,** Commandant GAUVAIN, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.  
Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.  
Shipping Orders will be granted until Noon.  
Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 26th of May, 1879. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)  
Contents and value of Packages are required.  
For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.  
**G. DE CHAMPEAUX,**  
Agent.  
Hongkong, May 14, 1879. my27

**Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.**  
**TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE,**  
IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENTRAL and  
**UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES**  
AND  
**ATLANTIC STEAMERS.**

**THE S. S. BELGIO** will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on or about May 31st, 1879, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States, Mexico, Central and South America, and Europe.  
Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.  
Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the 30th May. PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.  
A REDUCTION is made on RETURN PASSAGE TICKETS.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland, Mexican, Central and South American Cargo, should be sent to the Company's Offices addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.  
For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

**H. M. BLANCHARD,**  
Acting Agent.  
Hongkong, May 6, 1879. my31

**U. S. MAIL LINE.**  
**PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.**

**THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.**

**THE U. S. Mail Steamship ALASKA** will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on MONDAY, the 2nd June, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic Lines of Steamers.  
On Through PASSAGES TO EUROPE, a REDUCTION OF TWENTY PER CENT. from Regular Rates is granted to OFFICERS OF THE ARMY AND NAVY, and MEMBERS OF THE CIVIL and CONSULAR SERVICES IN COMMISSION.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m., of 1st June. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.  
For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 3, Praya Central.

**RUSSELL & Co., Agents.**  
Hongkong, May 6, 1879. jn2

## Insurances.

## SWISS LLOYD

**TRANSPORT-INSURANCE COMPANY OF WINTERTHUR.**

**THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, have this Day taken over charge of the Hongkong Agency, and are prepared to grant INSURANCE on MARINE RISKS at Current Rates to all parts of the World.**

**MEYER & Co.,**  
Hongkong, February 10, 1879. jnl

## Insurances.

**ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.**  
**THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.**

**MELOHERS & Co.,**  
Agents, Royal Insurance Company,  
Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

## Insurances.

**THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSURANCE COMPANY.**

**THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above-named Company, are prepared to grant POLICIES against FIRE on Buildings and on Goods to the extent of \$50,000, at the usual Rates, subject to an immediate Discount of 20 per cent.**  
Attention is invited to a considerable reduction in Premium for Life Insurance in China.

**MEYER & Co.,**  
Hongkong, August 13, 1878. jnl

**QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.**

**THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE to the extent of \$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premium.**

**NORTON & Co.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

**THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.**

**AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.**  
Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.

**NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.**

**JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,**  
Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

**THE LONDON ASSURANCE**

**INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER**

**of**

**His Majesty King George The First,**

**A. D. 1720.**

**THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—**

**Marine Department.**

Policies at current rates payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

**Fire Department.**

Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

**Life Department.**

Policies issued for sums not exceeding \$5,000 at reduced rates.

**HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,**  
Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

**NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE**

**INSURANCE COMPANY.**

**Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament.**

**ESTABLISHED 1809.**

**CAPITAL £2,000,000.**

**THE Undersigned, AGENTS at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at the usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20 per cent.**

**GILMAN & Co.,**  
Agents,  
Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

**CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)**

**NOTICE.**

**POLICIES** granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two Thirds of the Profit, are distributed annually to Contributors whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premium contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

**J. BRADLEY SMITH,**  
Secretary.

Hongkong, December 9, 1878.

**LANCASHIRE INSURANCE**

**COMPANY.**

**(FIRE AND LIFE.)**

**CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.**

**THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.**

Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to  
**ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,**  
Agents, Hongkong & Canton.  
Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

**MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE**

**COMPANY OF**

**MANCHESTER AND LONDON.**

**ESTABLISHED 1824.**

Capital of the Company £1,000,000 Sterling of which is paid up £ 100,000  
Reserve Fund upwards of £ 120,000  
Annual Income £ 250,000

**THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai, and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.**

**HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,**  
Hongkong, October 15, 1874.

## Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked A., near the Kowloon shore B., and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked C., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.  
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.  
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.  
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.  
4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.

5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.  
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.  
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.  
8. From Pier to East Point.

Antenor	5	c	Jones	Brit.	str.	1644	May 21	Butterfield & Swire	London, &c.	
Argyll	5	h	Scott	Brit.	str.	1271	May 9	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Y'ham & San F'cisco	31st Inst.
Belgio	5	c	Meyer	Brit.	str.	1716	May 17	O. & S. S. Co.		
Bombay	1	h		Brit.	str.	749	Feb. 12	Kwok Acheong		
Brisbane	3	h	Reddell	Brit.	str.	1700	May 19	3bb, Livingston & Co.	Australian Ports	
China	5	c	Alderton	Brit.	str.	1036	May 16	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	Mails
Deucalion	5	c	Brown	Brit.	str.	1630	May 20	Butterfield & Swire	London, &c.	To-morrow
Douglas	5	h	Young	Brit.	str.	864	May 21	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Goast Ports	To-morrow
Emu	3	c	Blanco	Span.	str.	222	May 21	Remedios & Co.	Amoy and Manila	Ab'deen Dock
Esmeralda	5	c	Oullen	Brit.	str.	395	May 20	Russell & Co.	Manila	Tug Flying
Fame	6	h	Stopaul	Brit.	str.	117	.....	H. K. & W'poa Dock Co.		
Galley of Lorne	7	c	Dryden	Brit.	str.	1389	May 19	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
Glenfinlas	5	h	Wilcox	Brit.	str.	1366	May 19	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Shanghai	
Gleniffer	2	c	Graham	Brit.	str.	1411	May 11	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Jeddah	5	h	Clark	Brit.	str.	994	May 19	Bun Hin Chan	Swatow and Amoy	To-morrow
Killarney	4	c	O'Neill	Brit.	str.	1000	May 15	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Foochow	
Leyte	5	h	Zublagurre	Span.	str.	312	April 8	Russell & Co.		K'loon Dock
Me-II	4	h	Marsden	Chi.	str.	181	May 19	C. M. S. N. Co.	Hothow & Halphong	To-day
Namoa	5	h	Westoby	Brit.	str.	862	May 16	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Coast Ports	23rd Inst.
Ostava	5	c	Hansen	Ger.	str.	938	May 14	Scay Shing	Saigon	
Pernambuco	4	c	Hyde	Brit.	str.	742	May 17	Melchers & Co.	Bangkok	
Rajasthanunhar	3	h	Hopkins	Brit.	str.	938	May 19	Yueh Fat Hong		
Saint Mark	5	c	Johnson	Brit.	str.	1098	May 16	Mayer & Co.	Manila	Ab'deen Dock
Salvadora	5	c	Larrinaga	Span.	str.	615	May 19	Remedios & Co.		
Sea Gull	5	h	Haydon	Amer.	str.	48	Mar. 24	China Traders' Insurance Co.		
Sorsogon	5	c	Lopez	Span.	str.	240	May 19	Vogel & Co.		
Zephyr	1	h	Reiser	Brit.	str.	.....	.....	Russell & Co.		
<b>Sailing Vessels</b>										
Abbie N. Franklin	4	h	Howes	Amer.	bge.	460	Mar. 6	Captain		
Advocate	2	c	Spencer	Span.	bge.	338	May 17	Chinese		
Aleppo	1	c	Falconer	Brit.	bge.	665	April 27	Borneo Co., Limited	Manila	
Alexa	8	c	Robb	Brit.	bge.	424	April 20	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Foochow	
Alice O. Dickerman	3	c	Bugant	Am.	3m. so.	501	May 15	Order		
Anne	2	c	Lassen	Dan.	sch.	171	May 19	Chinese		
Annie W. Weston	3	c	Winsor	Amer.	bge.	740	April 23	Order		
Anzora	3	c	Milne	Brit.	bge.	294	May 20	Chinese		
Beethoven	7	h	Haje	Ger.	bge.	340	May 14	Melchers & Co.	Foochow	
Black Prince	7	c	Hewer	Brit.	sh.	751	May 4	Russell & Co.		
Carlecks	1	c	Jones	Brit.	bge.	976	May 21	Meyler & Co.		
Chamron Kamrye	2	c	Stotze	Span.	bge.	.....	May 15	Kim Tye Loong		
Delphin	4	c	Lidlenthal	Ger.	3m. so.	225	May 17	Wieler & Co.		
Edith	4	c	Manson	Amer.	sh.	1173	April 30	Vogel & Co.	San Francisco	
Edward May	4	c	Johnson	Amer.	bge.	928	April 8	Russell & Co.	New York	
Elisabeth	4	c	Ohlsen	Ger.	bge.	447	May 16	Wieler & Co.		
Excelsior	8	h	Howes	Amer.	bge.	595	May 17	Captain		
Freeman	2	h	Howes	Amer.	bge.	1197	May 16	Vogel & Co.		
Fulda	1	c	Lucas	Ger.	bge.	884	May 3	Melchers & Co.		
Gauntlet	7	c	Lucas	Brit.	bge.	686	May 17	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
Gertrude	4	c	Pease	Brit.	bge.	483	April 18	Carlowitz & Co.	Calleo	
Golden Fleece	4	c	Wiltshire	Brit.	bge.	893	Mar. 10	Vogel & Co.	Hamburg	
Hattie E. Tapley	8	c	Tapley	Amer.	sh.	946	April 26	Vogel & Co.		
Haze	3	c	Evans	Amer.	sh.	882	April 18	Vogel & Co.	New York	
Henrik Ibsen	3	c	Danz	Norw.	bge.	274	May 11	Edvard Schellhass & Co.		
Hermine	2	c	Meyer	Ger.	bge.	350	May 3	Edvard Schellhass & Co.		
Highlander	4	h	Hutchinson	Amer.	sh.	1352	June 19	Vogel & Co.	E-On	
Hongkong	3	c	Oam	Ger.	5m. so.	219	May 10	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Irene	3	c	Yates	Amer.	sch.	481	May 16	Russell & Co.		
John R. Stanhope	3	c	Pillabury	Ger.	bge.	407	May 5	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Juliane	2	c	Jestmann	Ger.	5m. so.	187	May 15	Captain		
Krung Thap	2	c	Dihkssen	Span.	bge.	488	May 20	Siemssen & Co.		
Meumon	5	h	Wass	Amer.	sh.	860	April 13	Melchers & Co.		
Perla	5	h	Schultz	Ger.	bge.	395	May 1	Siemssen & Co.	Hamburg	Costan 1
Pelha	3	h	Christiansen	Ger.	bge.	251	May 17	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Perla del Oceano	4	c	Aldecoa	Span.	sch.	219	May 20	Chinese	Calleo	
Pheton	3	h	Scheel	Brit.	bge.	576	April 10	Wieler & Co.		
Phillipine	4	h	Southwood	Brit.	bge.	300	May 17	Wieler & Co.	London	
Prima Donna	4	c	Lunt	Amer.	sh.	1450	April 16	Vogel & Co.	Newchwang	
Queen of India	3	c	Oary	Brit.	bge.	890	April 10	Wieler & Co.	Takao & Yokohama	Cleared
Rosebud	2	c	Collie	Brit.	5m. so.	341	April 20	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Sumatra	3	h	Clough	Amer.	sh.	1090	Sept. 5	Russell & Co.		
Suvvius	4	c	Cull	Amer.	bge.	813	April 25	Russell & Co.	San Francisco	
Young Slam	2	c	Benadictsen	Span.	sh.	701	May 9	Kim Tye Loong		
Zomave	3	h	Means	Amer.	sh.	1202	April 25	Captain		
<b>WEAMPOA</b>										
Anna Bertha	5	h	Krause	Ger.	bge.	468	May 15	Siemssen & Co.	Newchwang	
Faugh Balaugh	5	h	Ritte	Ger.	bge.	240	May 16	Carlowitz & Co.	Hothow	
Florence Nightingale	5	h	McIntyre	Brit.	bge.	464	May 14	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Tientsin	
Malvina	5	h	Kluge	Ger.	bge.	479	May 7	Captain	Newchwang	
<b>CANTON</b>										
Cassandra	5	h	Langer	Ger.	str.	937	May 21	Siemssen & Co.	Shanghai	
China	5	h	Ackermann	Ger.	str.	648	May 21	Siemssen & Co.		